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Salix amygdaloides Woodland

COMMON NAME Peachleaf Willow Woodland SYNONYM Peachleaf Willow Woodland

PHYSIOGNOMIC CLASS Woodland (II)

PHYSIOGNOMIC SUBCLASS Deciduous woodland (II.B)

PHYSIOGNOMIC GROUP Cold-deciduous woodland (II.B.2) PHYSIOGNOMIC SUBGROUP Natural/Semi-natural (II.B.2.N)

FORMATION Temporarily flooded cold-deciduous woodland (II.B.2.N.b)
ALLIANCE SALIX AMYGDALOIDES TEMPORARILY FLOODED

WOODLAND ALLIANCE

CLASSIFICATION CONFIDENCE LEVEL 1

USFWS WETLAND SYSTEM PALUSTRINE

RANGE

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Wooded areas are rare and widely scattered in small stands throughout the Refuge, except for the sandhills portion.

Globally

The peachleaf willow woodland type is found in the Northern Rocky Mountains, ranging from Idaho to Montana and possibly into parts of the western Great Plains.

ENVIRONMENTAL DESCRIPTION

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Many of the stands are less than 0.5 ha in size and occupy a range of mesic sites. The peachleaf willow association typically occurs as three to six trees clustered together to form a dense canopy. These clusters sometimes appear to have coalesced to form a larger stand.

Globally

MOST ABUNDANT SPECIES

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Stratum Species

CANOPY Salix amygdaloides

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CHARACTERISTIC SPECIES

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VEGETATION DESCRIPTION

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in close association with wetland communities dominated by prairie cordgrass, cattail, and Nebraska sedge (*Carex nebrascensis*). Total foliar cover values range from 60 to 100%. The lower values occur where canopies between the stands do not overlap. Individual trees were generally large (10-15 m tall) and mature. Understory shrubs were not common.

Globally

(n/a)

OTHER NOTEWORTHY SPECIES

(n/a)

CONSERVATION RANK G3

DATABASE CODE CEGL000947

COMMENTS

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(n/a)

Globally

(n/a)

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